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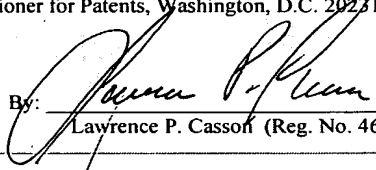
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT		Docket Number: 52494/2202	
Application Number 09/441,857	Filing Date Nov. 18, 1999	Examiner Canella, K.	Art Unit 1643
Invention Title IDENTIFICATION OF DIFFERENTIALLY METHYLATED DRUG RESISTANCE LOCI		Inventor(s) DUFFY, et al.	

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated July 25, 2000, setting forth a restriction requirement with a thirty-day response period, Applicants make the following election. A Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (a) is enclosed herewith and extends the period for response for three (3) months, to and including Friday, November 24, 2000. The petition is accompanied by the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(c).

ELECTION

Applicants elect the invention of Group I, Claims 1-4, 7-12, 18-20, 30, 34-36, 41, 55-57, 62, and 70, drawn to nucleic acids encoding wth3 protein, vectors, hosts, kits comprising probes and oligos which hybridize to WTH3 DNA.

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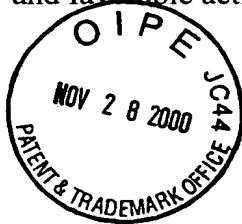
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If there are any questions regarding this election, or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since it would expedite the prosecution of the application.

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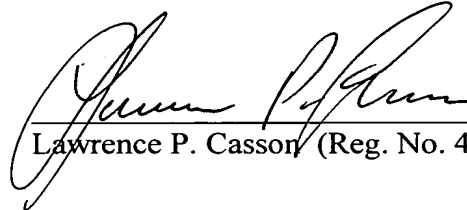
The Patent Office is authorized to charge any fees which may be necessary for consideration of this paper to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.



Respectfully submitted,

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